

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

The invention relates to a drive device for intermittent driving of a conveyor-(1) that partly surrounds a drum (3)-rotatable around a centre axis-(0). The drive device ~~comprises~~includes drive member (5,6)-and motion transmission member (3,7,8,9). According to the invention, the drive member is-(5,6) arranged to execute a reciprocating motion. The motion transmission member-(3,7,8,9), in the motion of the drive member (5,6)-in a first direction, is arranged to impart the drum-(3) a rotary motion in a first rotary direction and impart the conveyor a motion. Further, the motion transmission member-(3,7,8,9), in the motion of the drive member-(5,6) in a second direction, is arranged to impart the drum-(3) a rotary motion in a second rotary direction in such a way that the conveyor-(1) is at rest. The invention also relates to a corresponding method.

(Figure 3)